



FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE: July 27, 2021

PUBLIC HEALTH ADVISORY

On Monday, July 26, 2021, at approximately 6:00 p.m, there was an accidental release of an estimated 200 gallons of untreated sewage from a sewer main near Hastings Street and Parsons Road in Traverse City. The raw sewage entered a storm sewer catch basin that discharges near Bryant Park on West Grand Traverse Bay. Although this is a minor amount of sewage, out of an abundance of caution, the Grand Traverse County Health Department is advising the public against any body contact of the waters in the following areas:

- The following beaches along West Grand Traverse Bay:
 - o Bryant Park Beach

Sampling of Bryant Park water is being conducted today and results will be available on Wednesday, July 28, 2021. Once water testing results demonstrate that the affected waters meet the Michigan Department of Environment, Great Lakes and Energy (EGLE) standards for E.Coli, the advisory will be lifted.

The public is further advised that the drinking water supply for the City of Traverse City is not affected, since the drinking water comes from East Grand Traverse Bay.

More information and updates will be forthcoming.

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